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Applicant: P. A. Billing-Medel, *et al.*

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BREAST

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Box AF  
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Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Final Office Action dated September 14, 2000. A Notice of Appeal was filed on January 15, 2001.

Claims 1-16, 30, 33, 35, 38-42 and 45-49 are currently under examination. A two-month extension of time accompanies this response, extending the time to respond from March 15, 2001 to May 15, 2001.

**AMENDMENTS**

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1-16, 30, 33, 35, 38-42 and 45-49.

Please add new claims 50-84 as follows: